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BODY FLUID ABSORBENT PANEL FOR

SANITARY WEARING ARTICLE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to continuing the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

(Three Times Amended) A body fluid absorbent panel for a sanitary wearing article